

Implementation framework

In accordance with Article 2.1 of the Regulation, the Parties to this Memorandum of Understanding have agreed on an implementation framework outlined in this annex.

1. Financial parameters of the implementation framework

Latvia	EEA FM contribution
Programme area	
Adaptation to Climate Change	€ 10,365,000
Funds for Non-governmental Organisations	€ 10,365,000
Conservation and Revitalisation of Cultural and Natural Heritage	€ 10,019,500
Scholarships	€ 518,250
Other allocations	
Technical assistance to the Beneficiary State (Art. 1.9)	€ 518,250
Fund for bilateral relations at national level (Art. 3.5.1)	€ 172,750
Net allocation to Latvia	€31,958,750

2. Specific concerns

Bilateral relations between the Donor States and Latvia shall be strengthened with the aim of stimulating long-term cooperation, in particular in the programme areas listed below with donor programme partners, as well as through other means such as partnership at project level in all programme areas supported.

The appraisal of Programme Proposals will take due account of relevant human rights- and governance-related standards of the Council of Europe (such as those monitored by CPT, GRECO, GRETA, ECRI etc.), including the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms.

3. Substantive parameters of the implementation framework

The programmes described below are to be prepared and, subject to FMC approval, implemented in the Beneficiary State.

A. Programme Area: Adaptation to Climate Change

Programme: National Climate Policy

Expected outcomes: Developed strategies and measures for adapting to a changing climate; a less carbon-dependent economy; Improved environmental information on impact, status and trends

Programme grant: € 10,365,000

<i>Programme Operator:</i>	Ministry for Environmental Protection and Regional Development
<i>Donor programme partner:</i>	The Norwegian Environment Agency and the Norwegian Directorate for Civil Protection
<i>Main focus:</i>	The Programme aims to support Latvia in developing a comprehensive national climate policy covering the non-ETS sector as regards emissions, and all sectors as regards adaptation. The programme will encompass systems for collection, storage, quality assurance and dissemination of environmental data related to climate change; modelling tools; policy development measures and instruments; capacity building; and awareness raising and education

B. Programme Area: Funds for Non-Governmental Organisations

<i>Programme:</i>	NGO Fund
<i>Programme grant:</i>	€ 10,365,000
<i>Programme Operator:</i>	Society Integration Foundation
<i>Main focus:</i>	At least 30% of the re-granting shall cover core activities as defined in the Programme paper. 50% of the re-granting shall support social sector activities including the provision of welfare and basic services, local and regional initiatives to promote social inclusion and support to children and youth at risk and gender equality.
<i>Specific concerns:</i>	The Programme shall support multicultural dialogue and the integration of national minorities, including awareness raising information and education activities on citizenship and language training activities. The Programme shall support NGO capacity building.
<i>Pre-defined projects:</i>	Support to sustainable civil society development and improvement of the monitoring system in Latvia.

C. Programme Area: Conservation and Revitalisation of Cultural and Natural Heritage

<i>Programme:</i>	Conservation and Revitalisation of Cultural and Natural Heritage
<i>Programme grant:</i>	€ 10,019,500
<i>Programme Operator:</i>	Ministry of Culture
<i>Donor programme partner:</i>	Norwegian Directorate for Cultural Heritage (RA) Arts Council Norway (for small grants scheme)
<i>Main focus:</i>	The Programme will encompass pre-defined projects (below) and funds for a Small Grant Scheme, aimed at protection of <i>art nouveau</i> and wooden architecture cultural heritage.
<i>Pre-defined projects:</i>	1) Reconstruction of the Museum of Literature and Music (maximum 50% of the allocation);

- 2) Digitalisation of the cultural heritage of the Riga Art Nouveau Centre and Development of virtual museum;
- 3) Restoration of the Green Synagogue in Rezekne, including the establishment of a wooden architecture heritage centre and creation of an exhibition of Jewish cultural heritage;
- 4) Restoration of the Museum of Rainis and Aspazija;
- 5) Restoration of the Latvian Ethnographic Open-Air Museum's port warehouse.

Small grants scheme:

Not less than € 500,000 for a small grant scheme for cultural exchange. The small grants scheme shall be implemented in partnership with a Donor Programme Partner.

D. Scholarships

Programme:

Scholarships

Programme grant:

€ 518,250

Programme Operator:

Ministry of Education and Science

Donor programme partner:

Centre for Internationalisation of Higher Education

Main focus:

The programme aims at providing scholarships for students of all levels and all fields of study.